Before the Federal Communications Commission Washington, DC 20554

| In the Matter of |) |
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| Request for Review of the |) |
| Decision of the |) |
| Universal Service Administrator by |) |
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| South Cook Educational Consortium |) File No. SLD- 258148 |
| Riverdale, Illinois |) |
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| Federal-State Joint Board on |) CC Docket No. 96-45 |
| Universal Service |) |
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| Changes to the Board of Directors of the |) CC Docket No. 97-21 |
| National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. |) |

ORDER

Adopted: October 24, 2002 Released: October 25, 2002

By the Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau:

- 1. The Telecommunications Access Policy Division has under consideration a Request for Review filed by South Cook Educational Consortium (South Cook), Riverdale, Illinois. At the same time that South Cook filed its request with the Commission, it filed a request for review with the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) of the Universal Service Administrative Company (Administrator). For the reasons set forth below, we dismiss South Cook's Request for Review to the Commission without prejudice.
- 2. The Commission's rules regarding appeals of SLD decisions do not contemplate simultaneous requests to the Commission and the Administrator.³ In this case, because South Cook has a request pending before the Administrator, we dismiss South Cook's Request for Review to the Commission without prejudice. Once the Administrator has issued its decision on

¹ Letter from Tobin A. Mitchell, South Cook Educational Consortium, to Federal Communications Commission, filed September 11, 2002 (Request for Review).

² Letter from Tobin A. Mitchell, South Cook Educational Consortium, to Schools and Libraries Division, Universal Service Administrative Company, filed September 11, 2002 (Request for Administrator Review).

³ 47 C.F.R. § 54.720 (allowing appeals to either the Commission or the Administrator, but tolling the filing period with the Commission, when an applicant has an appeal pending with the Administrator, until the Administrator issues a decision on the appeal).

South Cook's initial request, South Cook may then appeal to the Commission if it believes such appeal is warranted at that time.⁴

3. ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED, pursuant to authority delegated under sections 0.91, 0.291, and 54.722(a) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.91, 0.291, and 54.722(a), that the Request for Review filed September 11, 2002, by South Cook Educational Consortium, Riverdale, Illinois, IS DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Mark G. Seifert Deputy Chief, Telecommunications Access Policy Division Wireline Competition Bureau

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⁴ See 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.719 – 54.725 (setting forth rights of review, filing deadlines, standards of review, and other rules pertaining to Commission review of the Administrator's decisions).